

Tenth Sunday After Pentecost

August 9, 2020, 10:30 am

The Word of God

Prelude “Shout to the Lord!”

Darlene Zschech

Processional “Be Not Afraid”

Bob Dufford

The people standing, the Celebrant says

People Blessed be God: Father, Son, and Holy Spirit.
And blessed be his kingdom, now and for ever.
Amen.

The Celebrant may say

Almighty God, to you all hearts are open, all desires known,
and from you no secrets are hid: Cleanse the thoughts of our
hearts by the inspiration of your Holy Spirit, that we may
perfectly love you, and worthily magnify your holy Name;
through Christ our Lord. **Amen.**

*When appointed, the following hymn or some other song of praise is sung
or said, all standing*

The Gloria (Sung)

Glory to God in the highest,
and peace to his people on earth.

Lord God, heavenly King,
almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory.

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
you are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer.

For you alone are the Holy One,
you alone are the Lord,
you alone are the Most High,
Jesus Christ,
with the Holy Spirit,
in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

The Collect of the Day

The Celebrant says to the people

The Lord be with you.

People And also with you.

Celebrant Let us pray.

The Celebrant says the Collect.

Grant to us, Lord, we pray, the spirit to think and do always those things that are right, that we, who cannot exist without you, may by you be enabled to live according to your will; through Jesus Christ our Lord, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever. Amen.

People Amen.

The Lessons

The people sit. One or two Lessons, as appointed, are read, the Reader first saying

The First Lesson

1 Kings 19:9-18

Kathy Chiles

A Reading from the First Book of the Kings:

At Horeb, the mount of God, Elijah came to a cave, and spent the night there. Then the word of the LORD came to him, saying, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" He answered, "I have been very zealous for the LORD, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away."

He said, "Go out and stand on the mountain before the LORD, for the LORD is about to pass by." Now there was a great wind, so strong that it was splitting mountains and breaking rocks in pieces before the LORD, but the LORD was not in the wind; and after the wind an earthquake, but the LORD was not in the earthquake; and after the earthquake a fire, but the LORD was not in the fire; and after the fire a sound of sheer silence. When Elijah heard it, he wrapped his face in his mantle and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave. Then there came a voice to him that said, "What are you doing here, Elijah?" He answered, "I have been very zealous for the LORD, the God of hosts; for the Israelites have forsaken your covenant, thrown down your altars, and killed your prophets with the sword. I alone am left, and they are seeking my life, to take it away." Then the LORD said to him, "Go, return on your way to the wilderness of Damascus; when you arrive, you shall anoint Hazael as king over Aram. Also you shall anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king over Israel; and you shall anoint Elisha son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah as prophet in your place. Whoever escapes from the sword of Hazael, Jehu shall kill; and whoever escapes from the sword of Jehu, Elisha shall kill. Yet I will leave seven thousand in Israel, all the knees that have not bowed to Baal, and every mouth that has not kissed him."

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

A Psalm, hymn, or anthem may follow each Reading.

- ⁸ *I* will listen to what the LORD God is saying, *
for he is speaking peace to his faithful people
and to those who turn their hearts to him.
- ⁹ Truly, his salvation is very near to those who fear him, *
that his glory may dwell in our land.
- ¹⁰ Mercy and truth have met together; *
righteousness and peace have kissed each other.
- ¹¹ Truth shall spring up from the earth, *
and righteousness shall look down from heaven.
- ¹² The LORD will indeed grant prosperity, *
and our land will yield its increase.
- ¹³ Righteousness shall go before him, *
and peace shall be a pathway for his feet.

The Second Lesson

Romans 10:5-15

Kathy Chiles

A Reading from the Letter of Paul to the Romans:

Moses writes concerning the righteousness that comes from the law, that “the person who does these things will live by them.” But the righteousness that comes from faith says, “Do not say in your heart, ‘Who will ascend into heaven?’” (that is, to bring Christ down) “or ‘Who will descend into the abyss?’” (that is, to bring Christ up from the dead). But what does it say?

“The word is near you,
on your lips and in your heart”

(that is, the word of faith that we proclaim); because if you confess with your lips that Jesus is Lord and believe in your heart that God raised him from the dead, you will be saved. For one believes with the heart and so is justified, and one confesses with the mouth and so is saved. The scripture says, “No one who believes in him will be put to shame.” For there is no distinction between Jew and Greek; the same Lord is Lord of all and is generous to all who call on him. For, “Everyone who calls on the name of the Lord shall be saved.”

But how are they to call on one in whom they have not believed? And how are they to believe in one of whom they have never heard? And how are they to hear without someone to proclaim him? And how are they to proclaim him unless they are sent? As it is written, “How beautiful are the feet of those who bring good news!”

The Word of the Lord.

People Thanks be to God.

The Alleluia (Sung)

Then, all standing, the Deacon or a Priest reads the Gospel, first saying

The Gospel*Matthew 14:22-33**The Very Rev. AJ Heine, Jr.***The Holy Gospel of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Matthew.***People* Glory to you, Lord Christ.

Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side, while he dismissed the crowds. And after he had dismissed the crowds, he went up the mountain by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, but by this time the boat, battered by the waves, was far from the land, for the wind was against them. And early in the morning he came walking toward them on the sea. But when the disciples saw him walking on the sea, they were terrified, saying, "It is a ghost!" And they cried out in fear. But immediately Jesus spoke to them and said, "Take heart, it is I; do not be afraid."

Peter answered him, "Lord, if it is you, command me to come to you on the water." He said, "Come." So Peter got out of the boat, started walking on the water, and came toward Jesus. But when he noticed the strong wind, he became frightened, and beginning to sink, he cried out, "Lord, save me!" Jesus immediately reached out his hand and caught him, saying to him, "You of little faith, why did you doubt?" When they got into the boat, the wind ceased. And those in the boat worshiped him, saying, "Truly you are the Son of God."

The Gospel of the Lord.

People Praise to you, Lord Christ.**The Alleluia (Sung)****The Sermon***The Very Rev. AJ Heine, Jr.**On Sundays and other Major Feasts there follows, all standing***The Nicene Creed**

We believe in one God,
the Father, the Almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all that is, seen and unseen.

We believe in one Lord, Jesus Christ,
the only Son of God,
eternally begotten of the Father,
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made,
of one Being with the Father.
Through him all things were made.
For us and for our salvation
he came down from heaven:
by the power of the Holy Spirit
he became incarnate from the Virgin Mary,
and was made man.

For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate;

he suffered death and was buried.
On the third day he rose again
in accordance with the Scriptures;
he ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead,
and his kingdom will have no end.
We believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son.
With the Father and the Son he is worshiped and glorified.
He has spoken through the Prophets.
We believe in one holy catholic and apostolic Church.
We acknowledge one baptism for the forgiveness of sins.
We look for the resurrection of the dead,
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

The Prayers of the People

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*In peace, we pray to you, Lord God.
Silence*

*For all people in their daily life and work;
For our families, friends, and neighbors, and for those who are alone.*

*For our President, Donald; our Governor, John Bel; our Parish President, Cynthia; for this community,
the nation, and the world;
For all who work for justice, freedom, and peace.*

*For the just and proper use of your creation;
For the victims of hunger, fear, injustice, and oppression.*

*For all who are in danger, sorrow, or any kind of trouble;
For those who minister to the sick, the friendless, and the needy.*

*For the church in the Diocese of Louisiana, the Diocese of Honduras, St. Augustine's
Pre-School, and for our partners in mission: Church of the Holy Spirit, Tela; and Bissonet Plaza
Elementary School; for the peace and unity of the Church of God;
For all who proclaim the Gospel, and all who seek the Truth.*

*For The Archbishop of Canterbury, The Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church, The Bishop of the
Diocese of Louisiana; The Clergy of our Parish; Benjamin, our seminarian; and for all bishops and
other ministers;
For all who serve God in his Church.*

*For the special needs and concerns of this congregation. We pray especially for Adrielle, The Rev.
Jackie Means, Jose, Carol Britt, Kris Hartnell, The Rev. Walter Vann Windsor, Vanessa, Thomas Hofer,
Cheryl, Luke, Roberta, Betty, JP, Aimée Toledano, Chris Nick, Joey P., Renee Verver, Al Chiles, Wayne
Brown, those affected by COVID-19, Health Care Workers, first responders, those serving in the
military, all those persecuted for their faith; and anyone we now name, either silently or aloud (pause)
Hear us, Lord*

For your mercy is great

We thank you, Lord, for all the blessings of this life (pause) especially for those members of St. Augustine's celebrating their birthday this week: Lily Coats, Paula Belanger, JoAnn Garma, Patricia Clark, Andrew Goodman, Bet Byrd, Marcelle Pecquet, Clarisse Schleichart, and Glen Bourgeois.

*We will exalt you, O God our King;
And praise your Name for ever and ever.*

We pray for all who have died, especially Bob Vining, and Herschel Abbott (pause) those murdered in our community this week (pause), and for any you wish to name silently or aloud (pause) that they may have a place in your eternal kingdom.

*Lord, let your loving-kindness be upon them;
Who put their trust in you.*

Celebrant adds a concluding collect.

The Lord's Prayer

The Confession of Sin

Most merciful God,
we confess that we have sinned against you
in thought, word, and deed,
by what we have done,
and by what we have left undone.
We have not loved you with our whole heart;
we have not loved our neighbors as ourselves.
We are truly sorry and we humbly repent.
For the sake of your Son Jesus Christ,
have mercy on us and forgive us;
that we may delight in your will,
and walk in your ways,
to the glory of thy Name. Amen.

The Priest, stands and says,

Almighty God have mercy on you, forgive you all your sins
through our Lord Jesus Christ, strengthen you in all
goodness, and by the power of the Holy Spirit keep you in
eternal life. *Amen.*

The Peace

All stand. The Celebrant says to the people

The peace of the Lord be always with you.

People And also with you.

Then the Ministers and People may greet one another in the name of the Lord.

Announcements

The Blessing of the Backpacks

*God of Wisdom, we give you thanks for schools and classrooms and for the teachers and students who fill them each day. We thank you for this new beginning, for new books and new ideas. We thank you for sharpened pencils, pointy crayons, and crisp blank pages waiting to be filled. We thank you for the gift of making mistakes and trying again. Help us to remember that asking the right questions is often as important as giving the right answers. Today we give you thanks for these students and teachers, and we ask you to bless them with curiosity, understanding and respect. May their backpacks and briefcases be a sign to them that they have everything they need to learn and grow, to teach and nurture in this school year. May they be guided by your love. All this we ask in the name of Jesus, who as a child in the temple showed his longing to learn about you, and as an adult taught by story and example your great love for us. **Amen.***

The Blessing

The Dismissal

The Recessional “Rejoice, ye pure in heart!”

Postlude “You Are Good”

Israel Houghton

OUR CONTINUING PRAYERS ARE OFFERED FOR: Ted, Kathleen, Joyce & Roy Lilly, Lori Andras, Ann Nick, Lurline Bernadas, Rowen and Finn Scharwath, Carol Grenn, Laurie Wogan, Edgar Walker, Eleanor Walker, Billy Knapp, Ava, Paul Armstrong, Bill Carter, Leah Eskine, and Bobbie Sharp.

THE BLESSINGS OF THIS LIFE: *The decorations on the altar today are given to the glory of the Almighty God, and in celebration of the life of Joy Roques.*